

Troopers Investigating Robbery of Lewes Pharmacy



Lewes – Delaware State Police are investigating the robbery of a pharmacy that occurred early this morning.

The incident occurred on Friday, April 20, 2018 at approximately 2:08 a.m. when Troopers were dispatched to the Walgreens Pharmacy located at 17239 Five Points Square for a report of a robbery. Further investigation revealed that two suspects had entered the pharmacy and proceeded to jump over the counter, while two other suspects served as lookouts. One of the suspects ordered the pharmacist to unlock the safes. The suspects obtained several bottles of oxycodone, liquid promethazine, and codeine prior to fleeing the scene.

As the four suspects fled the scene, Troop 7 patrol units observed the fleeing vehicle and a pursuit ensued. Delaware State Police Aviation Unit was able to maintain a visual of the suspects' vehicle. The vehicle eventually fled into Maryland and was pursued by their Troopers. The vehicle

eventually crashed into a fence and the suspects proceeded to flee on foot. After a brief foot pursuit, all four suspects were taken into custody. During the course of the pursuit a duffle bag containing the stolen medications was thrown out of the vehicle, which was later recovered.

The suspects were transported to the Maryland State Police Barracks where they were identified as 25-year-old **Steve T. Gantt** of Washington DC, 24-year-old **Earic Lewis** of Washington DC, 32 year-old **Antonio Jackson** of Roswell Georgia, and 20-year-old **Daniel Smith** of Washington DC.

All four suspects remain in custody in Maryland on felony charges related to the pursuit. Warrants for their arrest have been obtained for Robbery Second Degree and Conspiracy Second Degree, pending their extradition back to Delaware.

This case continues to remain under investigation and anyone with information is asked to please contact Troop 4 Major Crimes Unit, Detective D. Cathell at 302-752-3793. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com.

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